

Please reply to the
Genetics Building

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Dr. William Halliday
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Dear Halliday:

We are marking time now before our departure for Australia about August 1. Syd Rubbo has made out quite an itinerary for us, and we will be visiting Sydney, Canberra, Adelaide and Brisbane during August before we settle down for our course at Melbourne. Quite possibly you've had some hand in the planning; at any rate, we're now booked to be at Brisbane (from Canberra) August 24-28, and are due at Adelaide Sept. 1. [The intervening days are unassigned.]

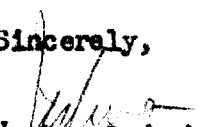
Eather and I are most anxious to take advantage of our visit to Brisbane to see something of the Barrier Reef area, as it is unlikely we could afford the time or money so well to return to Queensland after Melbourne. Unfortunately, our time is quite limited, though I imagine we might slice another day at each end of our schedule. It would suit us best of all, of course, if there happened to be a summer course or field trip in the area that ~~we~~ we might parasitize for a few days in hopes of picking up more than we otherwise could; otherwise, we may have to rely on some very rusty background in natural history, and whatever we can pick up by way of texts and guides locally.

Can you help us at all in formulating a plan for this purpose? I don't know if I shall be seeing you before our arrival in Brisbane. ~~We~~ I am enclosing a tentative itinerary for contacts before then.

I've not alluded to matters of proper business in Brisbane, as I'm sure that Syd has worked out whatever has to be. However, we will be at our hosts' full disposal in any case.

With best regards,

Sincerely,


Joshua Lederberg
Professor of Medical
Genetics*

* This medical school development is a minor reorganization to take care of a growing need. We're still housed in the Genetics Building, but my lab will move to a new research wing on the medical campus in about 18 mos.

JL